

the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2251, 2252, 2254, 2436) (hereinafter Trade Act), and sections 301-318 of the North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act (19 U.S.C. 3351 *et seq.*) (hereinafter NAFTA Implementation Act). Subpart A of this part sets forth rules generally applicable to investigations conducted under these provisions; for other rules of general application, see part 201 of this chapter. Subpart B of this part sets forth rules specifically applicable to petitions and investigations under section 202 of the Trade Act; subpart C sets forth rules specifically applicable to requests and investigations under section 312(c) of the NAFTA Implementation Act; subpart D sets forth rules specifically applicable to petitions and investigations under section 302 of the NAFTA Implementation Act; and subpart E sets forth rules specifically applicable to petitions and investigations under section 406 of the Trade Act. Subpart F of this part sets forth rules applicable to functions and duties under section 204 of the Trade Act.

Subpart A—General

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§ 206.2 Identification of type of petition or request.

An investigation under this part 206 may be commenced on the basis of a petition, request, resolution, or motion described in section 202(a)(1), 204(c)(1), or 406(a)(1) of the Trade Act of 1974 or section 302(a)(1) or 312(c)(1) of the North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act. Each petition or request, as the case may be, filed by an entity representative of a domestic industry under this part 206 shall state clearly on the first page thereof “This is a [petition or request] under section [202, 204(c), or 406 of the Trade Act of 1974, or section 302 or 312(c) of the North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act] and subpart [B, C, D, E, or F] of part 206 of the rules of practice and procedure of the United States International Trade Commission”.

§ 206.3 Institution of investigations; publication of notice; availability of petition for public inspection.

(a) *Institution of investigation and publication of notice.* Except as provided in § 206.15(b), the Commission, after receipt of a petition or request under Part 206, properly filed, will promptly institute an appropriate investigation and publish notice thereof in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

(b) *Contents of notice.* The notice will identify the petitioner or other requestor, the imported article that is the subject of the investigation and its tariff subheading, the nature and timing of the determination to be made, the time and place of any public hearing, dates of deadlines for filing briefs, statements, and other documents, the place at which the petition or request and any other documents filed in the course of the investigation may be inspected, and the name, address, and telephone number of the office that may be contacted for more information.

(c) *Availability for public inspection.* The Commission will promptly make such petition or request available for public inspection (with the exception of confidential business information).

§ 206.4 Notification of other agencies.

The Commission will promptly transmit copies of petitions or requests filed and notification of investigations instituted to the Office of the United States Trade Representative (hereinafter USTR), the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of Labor, and other Federal agencies directly concerned.

§ 206.5 Public hearing.

(a) *Investigations under subpart B of this part.* A public hearing on the question of injury and a second public hearing on remedy (if necessary) will be held in connection with each investigation instituted under Subpart B of this Part after reasonable notice thereof has been caused to be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER. A hearing on remedy is not necessary if the Commission has made a negative determination on the question of injury.

(b) *Investigations under subparts C, D, and E of this part.* A public hearing on the subject of injury and remedy will

be held in connection with each investigation instituted under subparts C, D, and E of this part after reasonable notice thereof has been published in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

(c) *Investigations under subpart F of this part.* A public hearing on the subject of whether an action taken under section 203 of the Trade Act of 1974 should be extended will be held in connection with each investigation instituted under subpart F of this part after reasonable notice thereof has been published in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

(d) *Opportunity to appear and to cross-question.* All interested parties and consumers, including any association representing the interests of consumers, will be afforded an opportunity to be present, to present evidence, to comment on the adjustment plan, if any, submitted in the case of an investigation under section 202(b) of the Trade Act of 1974, and to be heard at such hearings. All interested parties and consumers, including any association representing the interests of consumers, will be afforded an opportunity to cross-question interested parties making presentations at the hearing.

§ 206.6 Report to the President.

(a) *In general.* The Commission will include in its report to the President the following:

(1) The determination made and an explanation of the basis for the determination;

(2) If the determination is affirmative, to the extent appropriate, the recommendations for action and an explanation of the basis for each recommendation;

(3) Any dissenting or separate views by members of the Commission regarding the determination and any recommendations;

(b) *Additional findings and information.* (1) In the case of a determination made under section 202(b) of the Trade Act, the Commission will also include in its report the following:

(i) The findings with respect to the results of an examination of the factors other than imports which may be a cause of serious injury or threat thereof to the domestic industry;

(ii) A copy of the adjustment plan, if any, submitted by the petitioner;

(iii) Commitments submitted and information obtained by the Commission regarding steps that firms and workers in the domestic industry are taking, or plan to take, to facilitate positive adjustment to import competition;

(iv) A description of the short- and long-term effects that implementation of the action recommended is likely to have on the petitioning domestic industry, other domestic industries, and consumers; and

(v) A description of the short- and long-term effects of not taking the recommended action on the petitioning domestic industry, its workers and communities where production facilities of such industry are located, and other domestic industries.

(2) In the case of a determination made under section 302(b) of the NAFTA Implementation Act, the Commission will also include in its report the findings with respect to the results of an examination of the factors other than imports which may be a cause of serious injury or threat thereof to the domestic industry.

§ 206.7 Confidential business information; furnishing of nonconfidential summaries thereof.

(a) *Nonrelease of information.* Except as provided for in § 206.17, in the case of an investigation under Subpart B, C, D, or F of this Part, the Commission will not release information which the Commission considers to be confidential business information within the meaning of § 201.6 unless the party submitting the confidential business information had notice, at the time of submission, that such information would be released by the Commission, or such party subsequently consents to the release of the information. When appropriate, the Commission will include confidential business information in reports transmitted to the President and the Trade Representative; such reports will be marked as containing confidential business information, and a nonconfidential version of such report will be made available to the public.

(b) *Nonconfidential summaries.* Except as the Commission may otherwise provide, a party submitting confidential business information shall also submit